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7 December 1979

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Staff Meeting Minutes of 7 December 1979

The Director and Mr. Carlucci were attending an SCC meeting on Iran; Dirks chaired the meeting. [] 25X1

Lehman reported an Alert Memorandum on Thailand will be completed today. [] 25X1

McMahon reported briefly on the following:

- Tripoli: calm situation following attack on U.S. Embassy;
- Kuwait: alert of probable attack on U.S. Embassy has been cancelled;
- Increased reporting of growing discontent in Egypt stemming from recent public remarks by Sadat, remarks which, for example, tend to frustrate the "church-state relationship" in Egypt.
- A report that the Soviets are urging the Vatican to speak out against TNF;
- London Observer has advertised an exclusive interview with former DCI Helms--to be published 8 December 1979; and 25X1

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Expressing serious concern, Hitz said he learned from Carl Ford of Senator Glenn's Foreign Relations Staff, that Vern Guidry of the Washington Star has queried Ford, and presumably others around town, on nonsatellite [] 25X1
[] Hitz said Ford will keep us informed. [] 25X1

Hitz reported also the Senate Foreign Relations Committee has planned a hearing for 10 December to gather information from experts on the psychological effects on U.S. hostages in Iran. Witnesses are to include [] OMS, and Ambassador Quainten, head of State's Counter-terrorist Task Force. Hitz doubted the need for same and will review. (C) 25X1

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Wortman reported a snag with GSA in acquiring 85,000 square feet of additional space needed by the Agency--a last-minute GSA legal requirement for a prospectus. He said the Director telephoned Admiral Freeman, Director, GSA, yesterday to resolve the problem and that, with guidance from GSA on language and assistance from OGC, a letter will be forwarded to GSA today to facilitate Agency authority to acquire the needed space. [REDACTED]

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Wortman reported a final achievement of 95 percent against the Agency's CFC goal for this year--a more modest goal than was set for 1978. He briefly cited some probable reasons for shortfall and provided data (attached). Wortman says he intends to conduct a post-mortem with major components of the Agency toward setting a goal for next year. [REDACTED]

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Dirks called attention to press reports of an insurgent takeover of the radio station in Tabriz, Iran. FBIS reports it is picking up broadcasts from the radio station still under state control, which indicates the existence of more than one radio station in Tabriz--no other broadcasts are being picked up by FBIS. [REDACTED]

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